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## AS TO HANDSOME JACK.

What was there in the Star's cablegram about Kuhio's plans to get an anti-Taft or unimpaired delegation from Hawaii which aroused the smothered political fires in Jack Atkinson's calm bosom? Excepting in those social circles where feminine loveliness and manly pulchritude come together like a pair of shears, we had long since lost track of the one and only Jack. Never, for a moment until last week did we have any cause to suspect that his old-time interest in politics, which had made him years at first to succeed Carter as Governor and then to succeed Breckons as United States District Attorney, was likely to get any chance to eclipse his social triumphs, and then when the whisper came that he was in with two other anti-Frear politicians in a scheme to aid Kuhio in a plan to carry the primaries so as to secure an anti-Frear and anti-Taft convention, we resolutely put away the thought as one that needed a deal of confirmation. True, our informants said, Jack had nursed a grievance on the governorship which was not soothed when Taft turned down his holdover nomination by Roosevelt for United States District Attorney; but to look at rubicund and smiling Jack, full of cheerful words about everybody, was only to dismiss the thought. Nay, nay! There could be no guile behind that open and wholesome visage; no base politics bound in that debonaire figure, whose motions seemed to be attuned to soft voices and responsive early to the esthetic pleasing of the lute.

Then came the sudden shock of Jack's interview in an afternoon paper about the culpable nature of this journal's exposure of Kuhio's allied plans. It was as follows:

"I am satisfied there is no truth whatever in the report that Delegate Kuhio is coming home to secure an anti-Taft delegation to the National Convention," said A. L. C. Atkinson today in referring to the published statements of the Delegate's intentions. "These rumors are circulated for the purpose of hurting the Delegate with his own people as well as the President and in the long run they will act as a boomerang."

Now what possible cause could the only Jack have had to jump into this miry, political slough, after his long course of perfumed dalliances, unless he feared that the Star's exposure would frustrate some scheme in which he was personally or politically interested? Why did he have the nerve to spring up from his cozy hammock and deny the correspondence of Mr. Breckons and Mr. Timmons, and on what authority? He hasn't been accounted Kuhio's confidential agent here. In Ashford's absence that dignity has been enjoyed by Colburn. Why are Jack's withers wrung over "hurting Kuhio with his own people"? Seeing that Kuhio's "people" want him to get after Frear, whom he is assailing in their name, and to take it out of Taft, too, if he will not give them the Governor's scalp, why this sudden solicitude of Jack's about the hurts Kuhio may receive from this same constituency for carrying out its wishes? Poor Jack. One of the best signs of quite another motive in protesting is his reliance on so flimsy a pretext. What Jack evidently fears is that the solid men of Hawaii will go into the primaries themselves and put an end to the hapless conspiracy to make the best interests of Hawaii mere agencies to work out a few little revenges. Isn't it so? Now, honest, Jack, isn't that the truth? We'll bet you a pound of green cheese against a picture of the Princess Alice, that you can't successfully deny it.

## NOTHING IN THE YARN.

How precisely this paper hit the mark when it said that the President, as a gentleman, would not threaten to send "commissioners" or "agents" here to investigate Governor Frear before getting the reply to Kuhio's charges which the Governor was drawing up at his instance, and not then if the reply satisfied him, has been borne out by all authentic news since. The only cablegram to the contrary was the pitiful subterfuge of correspondent Walker which the morning paper tried to prop with a manufactured interview which the Governor publicly repudiated and which the morning paper has not yet had the grace or courage to retract. Everything else bears out the Star's conclusion, as indeed, that subterfuge of itself did. Now we are enabled to round off the news controversy with a cablegram from Correspondent Breckons, who quotes Secretary Fisher as saying that it has been "absolutely decided" that no agent will be sent to investigate Frear, and that when his answer is received to the Kuhio charges, his reappointment will be considered. How exactly this fits the Star's original theory and how much it leaves the other two dailies to explain away!

## JAPAN AND CHINA.

The cablegram Saturday afternoon quoting Baron Uchida as saying that Japan is committed to the maintenance of the Chinese empire, may mean much or little. If it means that Japan will intervene to save the empire from its own people and if the Baron—who is not a member of the present cabinet, knows what he is talking about—then the revolutionary cause may be regarded as lost. But if Japan's commitment is merely against the partition of the empire by foreign powers, then the announcement contains no news, because such a compact was made by Japan and England in 1905. According to the Statesmen's Year Book the agreement is to maintain peace in Eastern Asia and India; "the preservation of the integrity and independence of China" and of the principle of equal opportunities for the commerce and industry of all nations in China and the maintenance of the territorial rights and defence of the special interests of Great Britain and Japan in Eastern Asia and India. The only point in this compact which might touch the Chinese revolution refers to the peace of Eastern Asia, but as Japan and Great Britain have not interfered with the republican uprising so far, it is evident that neither feels bound to interfere in the merely domestic concerns of China. Of course either power may do so if the revolution impairs its own rights or privileges, but that has not yet happened.

## END OF THE CONTEST.

The Star's subscription contest is now over and the winners are made known elsewhere in these columns. The results are most satisfactory. Not only does the list of contest subscribers reach forty-five per cent. of what the whole daily circulation of the Star was a year ago, but the list of semi-weekly subscribers has very largely increased. The increase of daily subscribers for the year is about 120 per cent. As for the contestants, the prizes go to those who earned them. There was no favoritism, and the prizes themselves are precisely as they were described. Since the contest began no complaint has reached this office.

One more gratifying circumstance to the Star is that the contest went much further towards getting subscribers than its returns show. Many people were led by the fame of the contest to send their subscriptions in directly, not waiting for the canvassers to call. We believe that this process will go on, for the paper seems to make permanent friends wherever it goes and these friends influence others to come in.

The Star expects to have the largest circulation in Hawaii before the end of 1912 and is preparing to increase its claim upon that prize.

Now the second and third members of the anti-Frear and anti-Taft hui should come out and show how improbable it is that Kuhio will join them in slewing the primaries around.

Roosevelt is not doing anything but standing on the bank in his bathing clothes and waiting for somebody to come along and push him in.

Not only the judicial recall but all the other little schemes of socialism are finding rougher going in the Republican party than they were.

Walt Mason  
The Poet Philosopher

There's not much joy in splendor—salt that truth down today; the happiness is slender one gets from vain display. Around town in a motor in majesty I romp, and many a footsore voter doth marvel at my pomp; but all that pomp is phoney—I had a lot more fun on my old Texas pony that cost but little mon. Around the links I teeter and say that golf is great—but those old games were sweeter I played in low estate! My bathroom fairly glitters with costly tub and bowl, but oh, to join the critters down at the swimming hole! By merchants I am trusted, for I have scads to spare, but long ago, when busted, I lacked this load of care. I'm cutting quite a dash in the burg where I abide; I am the glass of fashion throughout the countryside; and all the gilded smarties whose gems are not in pawn come to my famous parties and prance around my lawn. There are a thousand reasons why joy should light my halls, but oh, the happy seasons when I wore overalls!

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WALT MASON.

Did you ever see anything like it? Such a difference between Wm. O.'s and Alfred D.'s accounts of that little difference with Dr. Pratt.

Champ Clark has just as much chance to be elected President as he has to make war on Canada.

It is a big risk for the Lurline to bring along the recognized Jonah of the Republican party.

Let's all be sociable at those primaries.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

JUDGE LINDSAY—It comes in handy to be able to speak a couple of other languages besides English.

GINGER MAYNE—With three years' training ahead of them, the Turtle crew should be very fit when the big event of 1915 takes place.

A. H. FORD—The excursions of the Public Service are attracting more and more people, and the autobus is sometimes not large enough for the would-be sightseers.

CUSTOMS INSPECTOR PAUL—The cleanest vessel I ever saw in my life was a Chinese man-of-war. It certainly was a picture. No white men could have kept the brass and

paint work cleaner than those Chinese did.

CAPTAIN REILLY—The cleanest steamers in the world are the Pacific Mail liners. Anyone can win money on this any time by betting with those people who won't believe it. Any reliable authority will say the same about the boats.

J. A. ADAMS—What I want to know is why the Board of Health inspectors don't go into the homes of the people who do not keep their premises clean. That would be more sensible, to my mind, than their always calling at those residences in the districts where the rich people live.

LEAHI HOME DOING GOOD WORK  
BUT VERY MUCH OVERCROWDED

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Leahi Home, held this morning at 11 o'clock, officers were elected and the annual reports presented. The officers for the new year are C. H. Atherton, president; C. Montague Cooke, first vice president; G. P. Cooke, second vice president; G. F. Davies, secretary; M. R. Jamieson, treasurer; J. P. Cooke, auditor. The treasurer's report showed that the income for the year had been \$24,332.64, and the expenditures \$24,108.63. The average number of patients treated at the home daily during the past year was fifty-three, at an expense of \$1.22 per day for each patient.

A resolution expressing the board's appreciation of the services of the executive trustee, A. W. T. Bottomley; the medical superintendent, Dr. A. N. Sinclair, and the manager, H. A. Taylor, was passed.

The following report was presented to the trustees by Dr. Sinclair: Honolulu, Jan. 29, 1912.

To the Trustees of Leahi Home, Honolulu.

Sirs: I herewith submit my annual report, and in addition to the statistical data, I wish to add a few comments upon the condition of the Leahi Home at the present time.

During 1911 a new ward was added to the non-tubercular wing of the hospital buildings, permitting the transfer of all non-tubercular patients from the wing on the Koko Head side of the executive building. The vacated ward was added to the accommodations for tubercular patients—yet in spite of this addition, the accommodations on the male side of the tubercular quarters are at the present time strained to their utmost capacity. There is not a vacant bed, and no space for one, in that division of the hospital.

No applicant for admission, however, has been allowed to suffer on this account up to the present. Through the kindness of Mr. Rath, of the Palama Settlement, applicants applying when the home has been full have been temporarily cared for at the Day Camp till a vacancy at the home has allowed of their transfer. But now both the home and the day camp are full, and what to do in the future is a pressing problem.

Should the demands upon the home increase in 1912, as in 1911, we will require another pavilion. I desire to suggest a plan whereby such a pavilion might be added to the home without endowment.

The inmates of the proposed pavilion would be entirely pay patients and perhaps a charge of two dollars per day would not be a charge exceeding the means of many who would take advantage of it.

Since my return from a study of the tubercular treatment, three patients

have been sent to the home by physicians for that method of cure; and I feel confident that when the wonderful benefits of tubercular become better known, more patients of the "able to pay" class will desire its benefits.

At the present time the home can not meet the requirements and comforts of all who would like to submit themselves to treatment. Many who are able and willing to pay are restrained from going to the home because it is not at present equipped to give them any more than the bare necessities in the way of accommodation.

In other words, there is at present no distinctive accommodation for pay patients as compared with indigent patients. Both accommodations are the same. The furnishing of pay patients with a separate pavilion would not only draw more patients of that class to the home, but would entail no further necessity for endowment as the increased number of beds would be self-supporting: by the transfer of the half dozen pay patients at present in the home, to such a pavilion.

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SECOND KEEPING  
OF BURNS NIGHT

A second celebration of the Robert Burns anniversary was held on Saturday night, got up within a few days by John Walker, Robert Hair and others. About fifty assembled upstairs in the Union Grill, a majority being Scots by birth or descent. It proved a pleasant affair, lasting from eight until near midnight, most of the company remaining until the last car at 11:30, some in-town residents still later.

"Robert Burns" cigars were the only smoke other than cigarettes and were furnished in supply inexhaustible. Toothsome sandwiches began to tempt attack about the middle of the evening, although they were available from the start. For the many toasts, set and volunteer, there were liquids to suit all, from the Highland still product to ginger ale and choice table waters.

A particularly fine musical program was interlarded with the speeches, these being the more enjoyed, perhaps, by being kept further apart than usual. Such well-known local artists as Arthur Wall, Chester Livingston, James Dougherty and Carlos Caceres were supplemented in song by J. A. Kuge, Mr. Rader and Mr. Munroe. Some were twice called and on each occasion had to respond to encores. Scottish songs predominated and one of the best hits was the imitation of Harry Lauder by Mr. Caceres.

Toastmaster Walker made a neat introductory speech. Toasts were responded to as follows, the remarks being extempore in each case: "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns," by Roderick O. Matheson; "The President of the United States," by singing of "America," by Chief Justice A. G. M. Robertson; "The Land of Burns," by Daniel Logan; "The King and Queen," with singing of "God Save the King," by Judge George A. Davis, and "The Land We Live In," by Wallace R. Farrington. Remarks at liberty were made, on the call without notice of the chair, by Lorrin Andrews, Archibald Sinclair, G. S. Leithead, J. Walter Doyle and "Josher Bluffum" (E. P. Irwin).

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